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A. SECURITY POLICIES

1. Unit Designations25X1
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[redacted] each EM was required to know the history of his unit. In addition, whenever regimental or higher headquarters orders were read to the units, the heading usually contained the official designation of the unit originating the order and the unit to which the order was addressed. The official regimental designation was also sewn on the regimental colors (standard).

No equipment of the unit ever bore the unit's official designation, nor were there ever any signs in the regimental area that could disclose the official designation.

2. Security Duties

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[redacted] one company was in ENNSDORF (4812N-1429E) and one at ST. VALENTINE (4810N-1431E). These two companies remained constantly in these places and never joined the regiment for any training, even when the latter was of regimental size.

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Another rifle company from one of the rifle battalions was on guard duty at division headquarters. This company was supposedly guarding division warehouses. This company also never joined the regiment for any training.

In the regimental caserne at MAUER OEHLING (4806N-1418E) a regimental guard was posted daily. The guard consisted of eight guard posts, which were as follows: Post 1, the regimental colors at regimental headquarters; Post 2, the chemical supply room; Post 3 and 4, the food and forage warehouse and the clothing and equipment warehouse; Post 5, the automobile park; Post 6, the POL point; Post 7, the main gate; and Post 8, the explosives and ammunition dump. Each post was guarded by three reliefs, one man to each relief who was on two hours.

The main gate also sent out a patrol of three men, headed by an officer or sergeant and in a vehicle, to patrol the town of MAUER OEHLING and other nearby towns. The regimental officer of the day also had his post at the main gate.

The regimental guard personnel consisted mainly of EM from the rifle companies. On rare occasions the regimental separate companies provided guard personnel.

Whenever the regiment left the caserne for training purposes, the regimental school remained behind to guard the caserne. When the regiment was in the field, the guard usually consisted of a unit GO for each sub-unit instead of a regimental interior guard.

3. Access of Foreign Nationals

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There were about four or five Austrian women employed in the caserne as cleaning women and waitresses. These women had some type of pass in order to enter the caserne, but since they were well known by appearance, they seldom showed a pass. [redacted]

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Very often unidentified Austrian contractors were hired to do repair work in the caserne. They worked at the caserne only until the completion of their specific project. No foreign nationals lived within the caserne.

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4. Censorship

Each unit CQ handled the mail for his unit. Mail was delivered and picked up from the regimental postman, an EM who ran a small post office in the regimental club.

Mail had ceased to be censored late in 1953 or early in 1954. Before then mail from the USSR had been received with certain portions cut out, which obviously denoted censorship. From then on mail was received with no obvious signs of censorship. Mail received was supposed to be burned after reading, but this was not adhered to.

Outgoing mail was not censored [redacted] yet the EM were officially told that they could not write about living conditions in Austria, how well or poorly they were fed, the unit number, names of unit officers or types of weapons in the unit. Mail could also not be sent or received through the Austrian postal system.

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5. Private Photography by Military Personnel

Anyone in the regiment was permitted to have a camera and personnel were not warned about what photographs were forbidden. [redacted]

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Developing of film was done by the EM themselves since it was forbidden by regimental order to have developing done by Austrian establishments.

6. Kommandaturas and Kommandatura Patrols

The nearest Kommandatura was in AMSTETTEN (4807N-1452E). [redacted]
[redacted] the regiment did not participate in any Kommandatura patrols.

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7. Regimental Secret Documents Section

This section consisted of a barred room in the regimental headquarters and was headed by a senior lieutenant. An EM clerk and a Soviet civilian female typist also worked here. [redacted]

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B. INTELLIGENCE AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE**1. Military Intelligence Section**

There was a regimental chief of Reconnaissance on the regimental staff. His job dealt strictly with combat intelligence and he was in operational control of the regimental reconnaissance company. This unit was, for all practical purposes, just another rifle company, although its mission was that of a combat intelligence unit. 3.

The only persons that could possibly be construed to be employed in a counter-intelligence capacity were the regimental secret section representative (Osobnyak), a captain, and one similar representative (an officer) in each rifle battalion, both obviously subordinate to the captain. [redacted]

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[redacted] these three officers [redacted] concerned themselves with "various types of drivel". These officers kept their eyes on all the incorrigibles in the regiment, watched for infractions of the non-fraternization policy and were generally interested in anything of a derogatory nature concerning all regimental personnel. These officers often called certain personnel to their offices for unknown reasons. [redacted]

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In 1954 two sergeants [] were summoned before this captain and were subsequently demoted to privates. These two sergeants had been drunk on several occasions and were trouble-makers in general. [] the company CO did not have the authority to demote these men and used this means to have this done. 5

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2. MVD Matters

[] perhaps the counterintelligence personnel described above belonged to the MVD or were MVD-connected in some unknown manner.

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[] all city police in the USSR were in some manner connected to the MVD. [] railroad police in the USSR were also MVD personnel. [] these policemen [] found at all large railroad stations in the USSR. They wore black uniforms, spurs, sabers and blue hats. They had ranks, as was evidenced by their shoulderboards. He did not know if these personnel were para-military or military.

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[] unidentified border guard personnel near CHOP [] they were considered to be MVD personnel. Those Border Guard enlisted personnel wore the regular Soviet Army uniform and were distinguishable only by green shoulderboards and green service caps.

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[] they wore gold shoulderboards with green rank stripes.

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About 13 miles north of VORKHOTURYE (5855N-6045E) at a small village known as KORESCHIKHA (coordinates not available), [] a penal colony. The prisoners were clearing forests. [] two or three guards with dogs were guarding groups of 20 prisoners. These guards wore [] regular infantry shoulderboards on regular Soviet Army uniforms. [] such personnel served three-year tours but were paid about 400 rubles a month. [] 6.

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3. Use of Civilian Clothes for Intelligence Purposes

[] no personnel in the regiment wore civilian clothing in an attempt to conceal their identity. Wearing of civilian clothes by any of the regimental personnel was forbidden. The only person [] seen wearing civilian clothing was the regimental Special Section representative during his off-duty hours. During duty hours he wore a uniform.

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